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Statement from Governor Jan Brewer

Injunction Lifted on Abortion Regulations

"This is a great day for Arizona women and parents.

"The 2009 Abortion Consent Act empowers women by giving them the objective information they need prior to deciding whether to have an abortion. Women deserve all the facts from their physician, in-person, before making such a critical decision. Today's court decision will help guarantee that.

"The Act also empowers parents by strengthening Arizona's parental consent laws. Now, in most cases, any minor seeking an abortion must first obtain a notarized statement of parental consent. Effective parental consent is a fundamental principle that Arizonans on both sides of the abortion debate can support. Today's ruling will also protect women's health and safety by requiring that surgical abortions be performed by a physician.

"These are common sense regulations that will help protect Arizona families, and I'm thrilled the Court has allowed the law to take effect as intended."

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